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Failure of crops on the lands under Elundrakondan Periakulam.

* 479 *Q.*—Rao Bahadur T. A. RAMALINGAM CHETTIYAR: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there has been failure of crops on both wet and water-rate lands under Elundrakondan Periakulam during three out of the last five faslis;

(*b*) whether there is no plan-marked channel for irrigation of dry lands S. Nos. 39, 48, 52, 55, 56 and 57 and whether irregular irrigation is resorted to for these lands; and

(*c*) whether the grant of water-rate permission in fasli 1340 was warranted by the rules on the subject?

A.—(*a*), (*b*) & (*c*) The Government have not the information. A report has been called for.

Repairs to 'Chinnakasam' and 'Periakasam' of Perumudu village, Vellore taluk.

* 480 *Q.*—Mr. V. M. RAMASWAMI MUDALIYAR: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether representations have been made by the villagers of Perumudu village, No. 113, in the Vellore taluk, North Arcot district, to the District Collector of North Arcot and to the Government with regard to the grave and neglected condition of 'Chinnakasam' and 'Periakasam';

(*b*) when were repairs last executed to these kasams; and

(*c*) what is the present condition of these sources of irrigation?

A.—(*a*), (*b*) & (*c*) No representations on the subject have been received by the Government. As regards the other points raised in the question, the Government have no information.

Mr. V. M. RAMASWAMI MUDALIYAR:—"With reference to clause (*a*), may I know whether any enquiries were made of the District Collector, North Arcot, whether representations were received by him?"

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. CAMPBELL:—"No, Sir."

Mr. V. M. RAMASWAMI MUDALIYAR:—"May I know the reason why no enquiries were made when a specific question was put on that point?"

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. CAMPBELL:—"It is not within my personal knowledge and I did not think it necessary to enquire. If such representations have been made to the Collector, he will deal with them. If the petitioners are not satisfied with his disposal, they may appeal to the Board of Revenue."

Mr. V. M. RAMASWAMI MUDALIYAR:—"May I know whether information will be called for from the Collector as to whether he has disposed of the representation made?"